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PRIVATE MEETING WAS HELD AT TWO THIS AFTERNOON AT GROMYKO'S
VILLA. HE HAD WITH HIM ZORIN, MALIK, SMIRNOV, SOLDATOV
AND INTERPRETER; COUVE HAD LALOY, LUCET AND INTERPRETER;
LLOYD HAD RUMBOLD, HANCOCK AND INTERPRETER; AND I HAD MERCHANT,
THOMPSON, AND FREERS WITH ME.

GROMYKO OPENED (WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE THEN OR LATER TO JUNE
16 PAPER) BY READING FOLLOWING PAPER OF WHICH AT CONCLUSION
HE GAVE US COPIES IN UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION:

"ON THE BASIS OF THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS HELD AT OUR CONFERENCE
AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE CONSIDERATIONS PUT FORWARD BY
THE WESTERN POWERS, THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT IT IS
QUITE POSSIBLE TO FIND AN ACCEPTABLE BASIS FOR AGREEMENT ON
THE BERLIN QUESTION AND ON THE QUESTION OF AN ALL-GERMAN
COMMITTEE.

AN AGREEMENT ON AN INTERIM STATUS OF WEST BERLIN SHOULD,
IN THE OPINION OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, INCLUDE AGREEMENT
ON THE FOLLOWING:

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A REDUCTION OF THE OCCUPATION FORCES OF THE WESTERN POWERS
IN WEST BERLIN TO SYMBOLIC CONTINGENTS;

TERMINATION OF SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES FROM WEST BERLIN AGAINST
THE GDR AND OTHER SOCIALIST STATES;

NON-LOCATION IN WEST BERLIN OF ATOMIC AND ROCKET WEAPONS.

THESE ARE THE MEASURES RELATING TO WEST BERLIN THAT WE SHOULD
AGREE UPON IN THE FIRST PLACE.

THE QUESTION OF A TIME-LIMIT OF THAT AGREEMENT IS A MATTER
OF NEITHER OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE, NOR OF PRINCIPLE TO US.
THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT IS PROCEEDING FROM THE PREMISE THAT
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DELAY A PEACE SETTLEMENT WITH GERMANY
AND TO PRESERVE THE OCCUPATION REGIME IN WEST BERLIN AD
INFINITUM. IF THE TIME-LIMIT INDICATED BY THE SOVIET GOVERN-
MENT DOES NOT SUIT THE WESTERN POWERS, THEN WE CAN AGREE
UPON OTHER TIME-LIMIT ACCEPTABLE TO ALL SIDES CONCERNED.
IN THE COURSE OF THE CONFERENCE THE WESTERN POWERS HAVE
INDICATED A DEFINITE TIME-LIMIT FOR THE FUNCTIONING OF AN
ALL-GERMAN COMMITTEE, NAMELY, TWO AND A HALF YEARS. WE
HAVE INDICATED A ONE YEAR TIME-LIMIT. NOW WE SHOULD TRY TO
FIND SOMETHING OF A MEDIUM NATURE AND TO REACH AN AGREED
DECISION. WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO AGREE
UPON A ONE AND HALF YEAR TIME-LIMIT. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT
IF AGREEMENT IS ACHIEVED BETWEEN US ON MAIN QUESTIONS OF
PRINCIPLE NO DIFFICULTIES WILL ARISE IN AGREEING ON NECESSARY
TIME-LIMITS.

DURING THE PERIOD AGREED UPON BETWEEN THE PARTIES TO THE
AGREEMENT THE TWO GERMAN STATES WILL CARRY OUT MEASURES
RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ACTIVITIES OF AN ALL-
GERMAN COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GDR
AND THE FRG ON A PARITY BASIS. THE COMMITTEE SHOULD PROMOTE
EXTENSION AND DEVELOPMENT OF CONTACTS BETWEEN THE GDR AND THE

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FRG, DISCUSS AND WORK OUT CONCRETE MEASURES FOR THE UNIFICATION OF GERMANY AND CONSIDER QUESTION PERTAINING TO THE PREPARATION AND CONCLUSION OF A PEACE TREATY WITH GERMANY.

IF DURING THE AGREED PERIOD NO SOLUTION OF THE QUESTIONS OF A PEACE TREATY WITH GERMANY AND THE UNIFICATION OF GERMANY CAN BE REACHED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF AN ALL-GERMAN COMMITTEE OR OTHERWISE, THEN THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF 1959 COULD RESUME THE CONSIDERATION OF THE WEST BERLIN QUESTION.

SHOULD WE HAVE TO RENEW THE DISCUSSION OF THE WEST BERLIN QUESTION AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE SAID TIME-LIMIT, SUCH DISCUSSION SHOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BE CONDUCTED WITH DUE REGARD OF A SITUATION OBTAINED BY THAT TIME.

FOR THE DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT THE COMMUNICATIONS OF WEST BERLIN WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD WILL BE PRESERVED IN THEIR PRESENT SHAPE.

AS IT HAS ALREADY BEEN POINTED OUT IN THE PROPOSALS OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT OF JUNE 9-10, A SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES, THE USSR, GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE IS PROPOSED TO BE ESTABLISHED TO SUPERVISE THE FULFILLMENT OF THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES ARISING FROM THE ABOVE-MENTIONED AGREEMENT ON AN INTERIM STATUS OF WEST BERLIN.

THE ABOVE PROPOSALS OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT MEET THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY THE WESTERN POWERS AND CONSTITUTE A GOOD BASIS FOR MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE AGREEMENT ON THE BERLIN QUESTION AND ON AN ALL-GERMAN COMMITTEE."

I REQUESTED RECESS UNTIL 5 O'CLOCK TO CONSIDER IT. WE DEPARTED THEREUPON FOR FRENCH VILLA WHERE BRENTANO AND GREWE MET US. WE ALL QUICKLY AGREED PROPOSAL VARIED ONLY IN DETAIL FROM SOVIET JUNE 9 PROPOSAL. WE THEN DRAFTED STATEMENT CONTAINED SECTO 274 WHICH BY PREARRANGEMENT I READ TO GROMYKO AT RESUMPTION PRIVATE MEETING SOON AFTER FIVE.

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GROMYKO THEN SAID IN EFFECT THAT HE WAS IN HANDS OF HIS COLLEAGUES REGARDING RECESS. I EXPRESSED APPRECIATION HIS COURTESY AND SUGGESTED JULY 15. A LONG ARGUMENT THEN ENSUED AS TO DATE OF RESUMPTION, WITH COUVE POINTING OUT HIS TRIP TO MADAGASCAR FROM WHICH HE WOULD NOT RETURN TO PARIS UNTIL JULY 12 MADE EARLIER RESUMPTION IMPOSSIBLE. GROMYKO PLEADED EQUAL DIFFICULTY WITH AS LATE A DATE AS JULY 15 AND ASKED FOR MAXIMUM TWO-WEEK RECESS. IT WAS FINALLY AGREED TO RESUME IN GENEVA WITH PLENARY SESSION AFTERNOON JULY 13.

GROMYKO THROUGHOUT WAS TEMPERATE AND PARTING WAS FRIENDLY. I HAVE ASKED HIM AND HE ACCEPTED FOR LUNCH TOMORROW AT MY VILLA WITH TWO ADVISERS. I WILL HAVE MERCHANT AND THOMPSON WITH ME.

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